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January 12, 1933Memorandum to Field Leaders on Use of Army Radio System
for Sending Messages

A copy of P.B.A. Circular No. 212 of August 25, 1932, on addressing telegrams sent by Army radio system is inclosed for your information, as is also P.B.A. Circular No. 221 of January 7, 1933, with attached map referred to therein.

Aside from communications between Washington, D. C. and points in Alaska very little use has thus far been made by this bureau of the army radio service. This is a means of saving Government funds and if it is practicable to utilize this service in the sending of messages to and from Washington and from point to point in the field this should be done. Although no mandatory instructions have been issued it is the desire of the Chief Coordinator, and of the Department as set forth in P.B.A. Circular No. 62 of March 9, 1927, that the Government radio service be used to the fullest extent possible. The use of this service was called to the attention of the field offices at the time P.B.A. Circular 62 was distributed, but for some reason it has apparently not been found desirable to use the service. With the further information and instructions herewith, those located within reasonable distance of radio communication centers should give the question of their use careful consideration. Where it is important that messages be transmitted with the least possible delay the commercial telegraph service can continue to be used although other messages are sent via army radio.

There will be no difficulty in the sending of messages from Washington, D. C. via army radio. The real question is that of facilities for handling incoming and outgoing messages at field points and whether the delay in transmission and delivery of the messages, if there is a delay, will make any material difference. It is desired that field leaders ascertain so far as practicable as to the arrangements for receiving and sending radio messages through army radio stations and to try out this service so far as it is practicable to do so. Those located in close proximity to such stations should be able to ascertain without much difficulty what arrangements can be made. After information has been secured on this point this office should be advised and if it is found practicable to send radio messages from Washington via the army radio this plan will be adopted. In cases where messages are sent to the Washington office by radio it is suggested that on the confirmation copy of message the date and hour of filing same be noted so that we can check up in this office as to the length of time required for the transmission of the message.

W. C. Henderson

Acting Chief.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON

January 7, 1933.

P. B. A. Circular No. 221

Instruction for the proper routing
by field stations of radiograms over
War Department Radio and Leased line
facilities.

The attached is a reproduction of a map showing the location of War Department Radio and Leased line stations, with appropriate instructions for the routing of messages from field stations of the department to Washington or other points in the field.

This drawing supersedes the list of stations which was attached to P. B. A. Circular No. 212 and the instruction which is self-explanatory indicates the proper routing of government messages to effect the most in the way of economy and to avoid unnecessary relays, which retards the service.

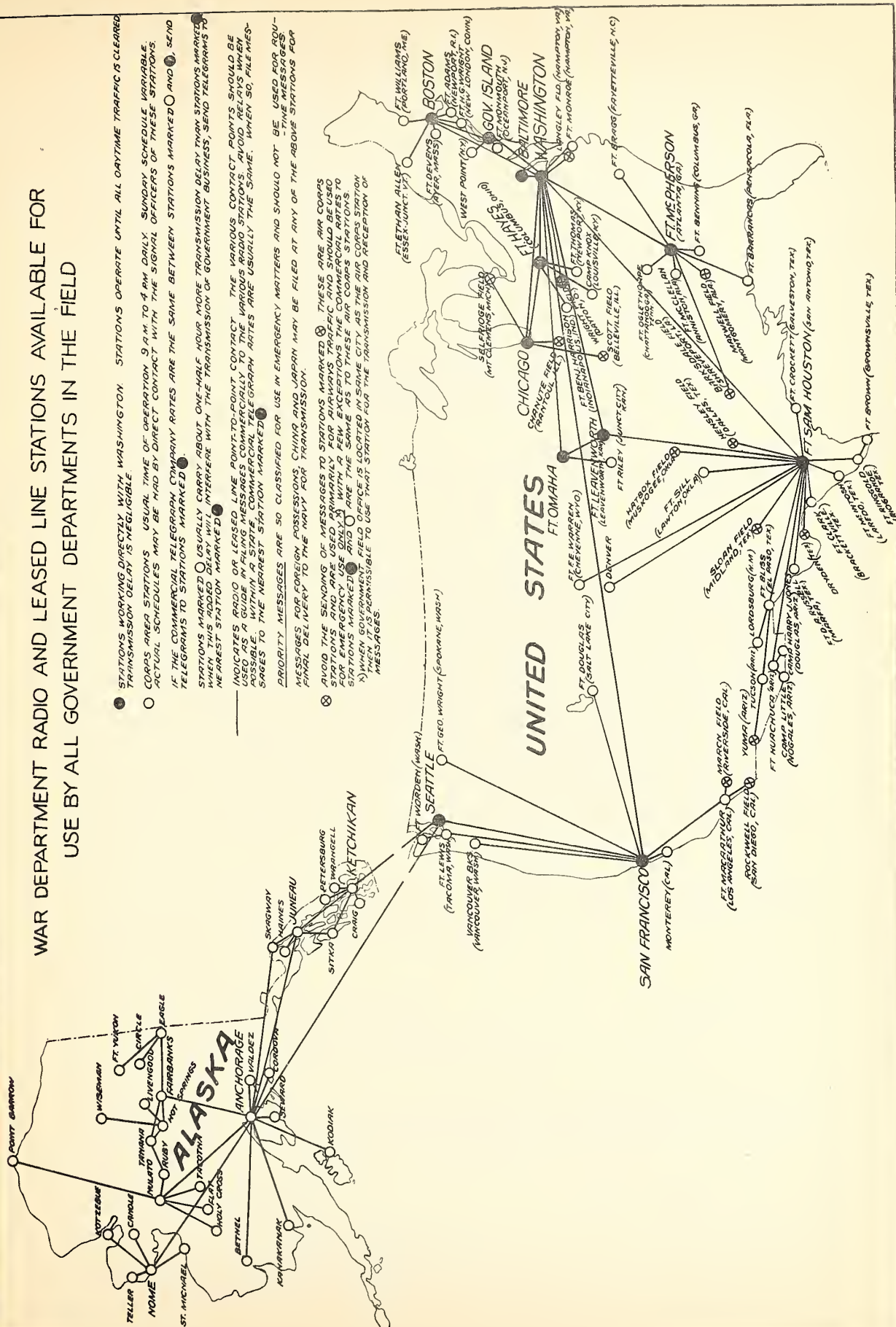
If the commercial telegraph rate is the same from the field station or originating station to stations marked with a ring and those marked with a black dot, send your telegrams to stations marked with the black dot. Rates can be obtained from your local telegraph office.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "W W Stockberger".

Director.

Enclosure.

WAR DEPARTMENT RADIO AND LEASED LINE STATIONS AVAILABLE FOR
USE BY ALL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS IN THE FIELD



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August 25, 1932

P. B. A. Circular No. 212

ADDRESSING TELEGRAMS SENT BY
THE ARMY RADIO SYSTEM

Attention is directed to the following extract from a communication received by the Department from the Officer in Charge of the War Department Message Center.

"The addresses on many telegrams sent by Federal agencies in the field to the nearest Army radio station for relay by the Army radio system to destination have been incorrect in that more information was placed in the address than was necessary to insure delivery by the commercial telegraph company to the radio station. An address should insure of the proper delivery of the message to its destination and no more. As far as the telegraph company is concerned the destination is the Army radio station to which it is sent. Some difficulty has been experienced in the charges for non-essential extra words in the address, and in order to adopt a uniform system for all Federal agencies using the Army radio net, it is recommended that the following system be used by your department.

"A message filed at Phoenix, Arizona, for the Supply Section, Indian Office, Washington, D. C., should be addressed to the nearest radio station as follows:

(Indian Office)	
(Army Radio Station)	Address
(Fort Huachuca, Arizona)	
(Washington Supply Section-----)	Body

"Another example is a message originating at Oklahoma City which is to be sent to George Smith, 1014 Bay Street, Boston, Mass., should be addressed initially:

(George Smith)	
(Army Radio Station)	Address
(Fort Sill Oklahoma)	
and the body should commence)	
(Ten Fourteen Bay Street, Boston, etc.)	Body

"Another example is a message originating at Macon, Georgia, which is to be sent to the Veterans Bureau, Washington, D. C., should be addressed to the nearest radio station as follows:

(Veterans Bureau)	
(Army Radio Station)	Address
(Fort McPherson Georgia)	
and the body should commence)	
(Washington)	Body

As will be noted the first line of the address contains addressee's name or bureau which is to receive the message; second line shows that message is to be delivered to the Army Radio station; third line shows name of nearest Army radio station and its location. The first word in the body of the message should contain addressee's address and immediately thereafter the text should begin.

All Army radio stations in the field have been notified of this change and it is therefore requested that your field stations be notified accordingly."

Appropriate instructions should be issued to all users of this service to conform to the above-described requirements.

W W Stockberger

Director.

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ALABAMA:

Maxwell Field, Montgomery
Ft. McClellan, Anniston

ALASKA:

Point Barrow
Kotzebue
Teller
Candle
Wiseman
Ft. Yukon
Nome
Nulato
Tanana
Livengood
Circle
Hot Springs
Eagle
Fairbanks
Ruby
Taktotna
Holy Cross
Bethal
Flat
Anchorage
Valdez
Seward
Cordova
Kanakanak
Squaw Harbor
Nodiak
Slagway
Haines
Juneau
Sitka
Petersburg
Trangel
Ketchikan
Craig

ARIZONA:

Yuma
Camp Little, Nogales
Tucson
Ft. Huachuca
Camp Jones, Douglas

CALIFORNIA:

Wather Field, Mills
San Francisco
Monterey
March Field, Riverside
Ft. MacArthur, Los Angeles
Rockwell Field, San Diego

COLORADO:

Denver

CONNECTICUT:

Ft. H. G. Wright, New London

FLORIDA:

Ft. Barrancas, Pensacola

GEORGIA:

Ft. McPherson, Atlanta
Ft. Benning, Columbus

ILLINOIS:

Chanute Field, Rantoul
Scott Field, Belleville
Chicago

INDIANA:

Ft. Benj. Harrison, Indianapolis

KANSAS:

Ft. Leavenworth
Ft. Riley, Junction City

KENTUCKY:

Camp Knox, Louisville
Ft. Thomas, Newport

MAINE:

Ft. Williams, Portland

MARYLAND:

Aberdeen

MASSACHUSETTS:

Camp Devens, Ayer
Boston

MICHIGAN:

Selfridge Field, Mt. Clemens

NEBRASKA:

Ft. Omaha

NEW MEXICO:

Lordsburg

NEW YORK:

West Point
Governors Island
New York City

NORTH CAROLINA:

Fort Bragg, Fayetteville

OKLAHOMA:

Hatbox Field, Muskogee
Ft. Sill, Lawton

OHIO:

Wright Field, Dayton
Ft. Hayes, Columbus

PENNSYLVANIA:

Burgess Field, Uniontown
Olmstead, Middletown

RHODE ISLAND:

Ft. Adams, Newport

TENNESSEE:

Ft. Oglethorpe, Chattanooga

TEXAS:

Ft. D. A. Russel, Marfa
Ft. Bliss, El Paso
Sloan Field, Midland
Dryden
Ft. Sam Houston, San Antonio
Ft. Clark, Brackettville
Ft. McIntosh, Laredo
Ft. Ringgold, Rio Grande
Ft. Brown, Brownsville
Ft. Crockett, Galveston
Hensley Field, Dallas

UTAH:

Ft. Douglas, Salt Lake City.

VERMONT:

Ft. Ethan Allen, Essex Junction

WASHINGTON:

Seattle
Ft. Lewis, Tacoma
Vancouver
Ft. Geo. Wright, Spokane

WYOMING:

Ft. Warren, Cheyenne

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA:

Washington